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For: COSMETIC USE OF PHYTOSPHINGOSINE AS A SLIMMING AGENT AND
COSMETIC COMPOSITIONS CONTAINING PHYTOSPHINGOSINE

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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Commissioner for Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

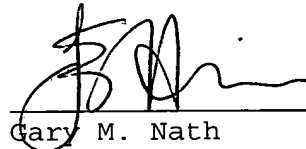
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- (1) Transmittal Letter;
- (2) Response to Office Action.

The Commissioner is specifically authorized to charge any required
fee deficiency under 37 CFR § 1.16 or 1.17, or credit any overpayment, to
Deposit Account No. 14-0112 in connection with this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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RESPONSE TO ELECTION/RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is in response to the official communication mailed on September 21, 2005. The one month shortened statutory period for response expires on October 21, 2005. Therefore, this response is timely filed.

In response to the Election/Restriction please amend the above-identified patent application as follows.

Please amend the application, as follows.

In the claims